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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (Withdrawn – currently amended): A process of making a human-like glycoprotein in a yeast host cell which is has been genetically engineered to be diminished or depleted in the activity of an initiating α -1,6-mannosyltransferase and ~~includes~~ to include at least an α -1,2-mannosidase activity and a GlcNAc transferase I (GnT I) activity comprising the step of introducing into the cell a nucleic acid molecule encoding an N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase III (GnT III) catalytic activity.

Claim 2 (Withdrawn – currently amended): A process of making a human-like glycoprotein in a yeast host cell which is has been genetically engineered to be diminished or depleted in the activity of an initiating α -1,6-mannosyltransferase and ~~includes~~ to include at least an α -1,2-mannosidase activity and a GlcNAc transferase I (GnT I) activity comprising the step of expressing in the cell a nucleic acid molecule encoding an N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase III (GnT III) catalytic activity.

Claim 3 (Withdrawn – currently amended): A process of making a human-like glycoprotein in a yeast host cell which is has been genetically engineered to be diminished or depleted in the activity of an initiating α -1,6-mannosyltransferase and ~~includes~~ to include at least an α -1,2-mannosidase activity and a GlcNAc transferase I (GnT I) activity comprising the step of expressing in the cell a nucleic acid molecules encoding one or more enzymatic activities that produce N-glycans comprising GlcNAc₃Man₃GlcNAc₂, GlcNAc₂Man₃GlcNAc₂ or GlcNAc₂Man₅GlcNAc₂ bisected structures.

Claim 4 (Withdrawn – previously presented): The process of claims 1 or 2, wherein the N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase III (GnT III) catalytic activity produces a bisected glycan.

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Claim 5 (Withdrawn): The process of claims 1 or 2, wherein the glycoprotein comprises a bisected glycan.

Claim 6 (Withdrawn – previously presented): The process of claims 1 or 2, wherein the activity is intracellular.

Claim 7 (Withdrawn): The process of claims 1, 2, or 3, further comprising the step of isolating the glycoprotein from the host cell.

Claim 8 (Withdrawn – previously presented): The process of claims 1, 2, or 3, wherein the host cell is selected from the group consisting of *Pichia pastoris*, *Pichia finlandica*, *Pichia trehalophila*, *Pichia koclamae*, *Pichia membranaefaciens*, *Pichia opuntiae*, *Pichia thermotolerans*, *Pichia salictaria*, *Pichia guercuum*, *Pichia pijperi*, *Pichia stiptis*, *Pichia methanolica*, *Pichia* sp., *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, *Saccharomyces* sp., *Hansenula polymorpha*, *Kluyveromyces* sp., and *Candida albicans*.

Claim 9 (Withdrawn): The process of claim 8, wherein the host cell is selected from the group consisting of *Pichia pastoris*, *Pichia finlandica*, *Pichia trehalophila*, *Pichia koclamae*, *Pichia membranaefaciens*, *Pichia opuntiae*, *Pichia thermotolerans*, *Pichia salictaria*, *Pichia guercuum*, *Pichia pijperi*, *Pichia stiptis*, *Pichia methanolica*, and *Pichia* sp..

Claim 10 (Withdrawn): The process of claim 9, wherein the host cell is *Pichia pastoris*.

Claim 11 (Withdrawn): The process of claims 1, 2, or 3, wherein the glycoprotein is a therapeutic protein.

Claim 12 (Withdrawn): The process of claim 11, wherein the therapeutic protein is selected from the group consisting of erythropoietin, cytokines, coagulation factors, soluble IgE receptor α -chain, IgG, IgG fragments, IgM, interleukins, urokinase, chymase, urea trypsin inhibitor, IGF-binding protein, epidermal growth factor, growth hormone-releasing factor, annexin V fusion protein, angiostatin, vascular endothelial growth factor-2, myeloid progenitor inhibitory factor-1, osteoprotegerin, α -1-antitrypsin, α -feto protein, and DNase II.

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Claims 13-75 (Cancelled)

Claim 76 (Currently amended): A yeast host cell which is has been genetically engineered to be diminished or depleted in the activity of an initiating α -1,6-mannosyltransferase and includes to include at least an α -1,2-mannosidase activity and a GlcNAc transferase I (GnT I) activity comprising a nucleic acid molecule encoding an N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase III (GnT III) catalytic activity.

Claim 77 (Previously presented): The host cell of claim 76, wherein the catalytic activity is intracellular.

Claim 78 (Currently amended): The host cell of claim 76, wherein the cell further includes a nucleic acid molecule encoding a mannosidase II produces N-glycans comprising ~~GlcNAcMan₃GlcNAc₂ structures that are capable of reacting with the GnT III catalytic activity.~~

Claim 79 (Previously presented): The host cell of claim 76, wherein the N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase III (GnT III) catalytic activity produces a bisected glycan.

Claim 80 (Previously presented): The host cell of claim 76, wherein the host cell is selected from the group consisting of *Pichia pastoris*, *Pichia finlandica*, *Pichia trehalophila*, *Pichia koclamae*, *Pichia membranaefaciens*, *Pichia opuntiae*, *Pichia thermotolerans*, *Pichia salictaria*, *Pichia guercuum*, *Pichia pijperi*, *Pichia stiptis*, *Pichia methanolica*, *Pichia* sp., *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, *Saccharomyces* sp., *Hansenula polymorpha*, *Kluyveromyces* sp., and *Candida albicans*.

Claim 81 (Currently amended): A yeast host cell which is has been genetically engineered to be diminished or depleted in the activity of an initiating α -1,6-mannosyltransferase and includes to include at least an α -1,2-mannosidase activity and a GlcNAc transferase I (GnT I) activity comprising a nucleic acid molecule encoding an N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase II (GnT II) catalytic activity and a nucleic acid molecule encoding an N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase III (GnT III) catalytic activity.

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Claim 82 (Previously presented): The host cell of claim 81, wherein the catalytic activity is intracellular.

Claim 83 (Currently amended): The host cell of claim 81, wherein the cell further includes a nucleic acid molecule encoding a mannosidase II produces ~~N-glycans comprising~~ ~~GlcNAcMan₃GlcNAc₂ structures that are capable of reacting with the GnT III catalytic activity.~~

Claim 84 (Previously presented): The host cell of claim 81, wherein the *N*-acetylglucosaminyltransferase III (GnT III) catalytic activity produces a bisected glycan.

Claim 85 (Previously presented): The host cell of claim 81, wherein the host cell is selected from the group consisting of *Pichia pastoris*, *Pichia finlandica*, *Pichia trehalophila*, *Pichia koclamae*, *Pichia membranaefaciens*, *Pichia opuntiae*, *Pichia thermotolerans*, *Pichia salictaria*, *Pichia guercuum*, *Pichia pijperi*, *Pichia stiptis*, *Pichia methanolica*, *Pichia* sp., *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, *Saccharomyces* sp., *Hansenula polymorpha*, *Kluyveromyces* sp., and *Candida albicans*.

Claim 86 (Currently amended): A yeast host cell which ~~is~~ has been genetically engineered to be diminished or depleted in the activity of an initiating α -1,6-mannosyltransferase and includes to include at least an α -1,2-mannosidase activity and a GlcNAc transferase I (GnT I) activity comprising a nucleic acid molecule encoding an *N*-acetylglucosaminyltransferase III (GnT III) catalytic activity and a nucleic acid molecule encoding a mannosidase II catalytic activity.

Claim 87 (Currently amended) The host cell of claim 86, further comprising a nucleic acid molecule encoding an *N*-acetylglucosaminyltransferase II (GnT II) catalytic activity.

Claim 88 (Previously presented) The host cell of claim 76 that is deficient in an *OCH1* mannosyltransferase activity.

Claim 89 (Previously presented) The host cell of claim 81 that is deficient in an *OCH1* mannosyltransferase activity.

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- Claim 90 (Previously presented) The host cell of claim 86 that is deficient in an *OCH1* mannosyltransferase activity.
- Claim 91 (Previously presented) The host cell of claim 76 that is deficient in the Dol-P-Man:Man₅GlcNAc₂-PP-Dol mannosyltransferase activity.
- Claim 92 (Previously presented) The host cell of claim 81 that is deficient in the Dol-P-Man:Man₅GlcNAc₂-PP-Dol mannosyltransferase activity.
- Claim 93 (Previously presented) The host cell of claim 86 that is deficient in the Dol-P-Man:Man₅GlcNAc₂-PP-Dol mannosyltransferase activity.
- Claim 94 (Previously presented) The host cell of claim 76, further comprising a UDP-GlcNAc transporter.
- Claim 95 (Previously presented) The host cell of claim 81, further comprising a UDP-GlcNAc transporter.
- Claim 96 (Previously presented) The host cell of claim 86, further comprising a UDP-GlcNAc transporter.
- Claim 97 (New) The host cell of claim 76, wherein the yeast is a methylotrophic yeast.
- Claim 98 (New) The host cell of claim 81 wherein the yeast is a methylotrophic yeast.
- Claim 99 (New) The host cell of claim 86, wherein the yeast is a methylotrophic yeast.